

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the cross-reference inserted at page 1, before line 1 of the specification, which was submitted in a Preliminary Amendment, filed September 16, 2003; and in its place, please insert the following newly amended cross-reference:

--Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a divisional of prior copending application Serial No. 09/913,106, filed ~~April~~ August 9, 2001, which is a 35 U.S.C. §371 application of PCT International application No. PCT/FR00/00284 filed 8 February 2000.—